

ADJUSTMENT OF REGULATIONS IN THE REPUBLIC OF NORTHERN MACEDONIA WITH EU REGULATIONS WITH SPECIAL REVIEW ON IMMIGRATION AND ASYLUM RIGHTS

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ABSTRACT

The Republic of North Macedonia, as the central part of the Balkan Peninsula, plays an important role in the transit of people, goods and services. Taking advantage of this position represents a great challenge. A recent example for this is the immigration crisis and activation of immigration transit routes. The legislation of the Republic of North Macedonia, especially the Law on Asylum and temporary protection is regulating all issues that outcome from the crisis. A right to an asylum is an international protection which the Republic of North Macedonia is offering to individuals with acknowledges immigrant status, i.e. individuals who have a justified fear for their own life and persecution from their home countries based on various factors. The law is balanced with international norms based on procedures of gaining and abolition of the right to asylum and subsidiary protection, as well as determining rights and obligations that outcome from the acquired status. This work is elaborating the main characteristics of the compliance process of Republic of North Macedonia regulations with the European Union in the context of immigration and asylum rights. The objective of this work is to present the progress and difficulties during the compliance process of the regulations of the Republic of North Macedonia with the EU, with the aim to provide direct conclusions about improvement of certain regulations.

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